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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: EAIR, RP

SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CARGO FLIGHT REQUEST

- 1. FLYING TIGER LINE HAS ADVISED DEPARTMENT THAT PHIL CAB HAS JUST TURNED DOWN CARRIER'S APPLICATION TO PERMIT TURN AROUND OF FLT 43 (SATURDAY) IN MANILA TO ENABLE IT TO RETURN DIRECT TO US.
- 2. FTL CONCERNED THAT INTRODUCTION OF WIDE BODIES WITH GREATLY INCREASED CARGO CAPACITY WILL PLACE THEM AT SERIOUS DISADVANTAGE AND BELIEVES THAT OPERATION OF AT LEAST ONE DIRECT FLIGHT TO US WEEKLY WILL BE NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN COMPETITIVE STATUS. TIGER WAS ORIGINALLY PERMITTED TWO WEEKLY FREQUENCIES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS (TWO EAST BOUND, TWO WEST BOUND) AND WAS LATER PERMITTED TO CHANGE TO THREE WEST BOUND FREQUENCIES. COMPANY ARGUES THAT THREE WEST BOUND PLUS ONE EAST BOUND FLIGHT FLIGHTS DO NOT REPRESENT INCREASE ABOVE THE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE OF TWO PLUS TWO AND WOULD THEREFORE BE WITHIN SCOPE OF PERMIT.

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3. FTL CASE APPEARS TO US VALID, AND WE DO NOT REGARD

UNDERSTANDING WITH RESPECT TO ALL-CARGO FLIGHTS AS FREEZING FTL EXCLUSIVELY INTO EXISTING OPERATIONAL PATTERN. IN ANY CASE, NO MATTER HOW ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER COUNTS FREQUENCIES, WE HAVE NOW ENTERED INTO A NEW AND HOPEFULLY LESS RIGID RELATIONSHIP IN AIR TRANSPORT MATTERS AND CONSISTENT WITH THIS RELATIONSHIP FAVORABLE ACTION IN FLYING TIGER APPLICATION WOULD SEEM APPROPRIATE. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH GOP AS APPROPRIATE, AND ADVISE PHIL REACTION. IF DISCUSSION INDICATES EARLY AGREEMENT NOT LIKELY, PLEASE ADVISE RE PROSPECTS OF PROPOSAL BEING ACCEPTED IN COURSE OF FOLLOWING MONTHS.

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